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SUBJECT: GERMAN M-48 TANKS FOR SPAIN

1. THE EMBASSY HAS RECEIVED THE FOLLOWING JULY 24 NOTE
VERBALE FROM THE FOREIGN OFFICE: QUOTE THE FONOFF
HAS THE PLEASURE, WITH REFERENCE TO THE PROCEDURE
ESTABLISHED IN THE CONSULTATIONS OF NOV 29 TO DEC 1,
1965 TO INFORM THE US EMBASSY THAT THE GENERAL STAFF OF
THE SPANISH ARMY IS INTERESTED IN PURCHASING A MINIMUM
OF SIXTY AND A MAXIMUM OF ONE HUNDRED TWENTY M-48 TANKS
FROM BUNDESWEHR STOCKS. ACCORDING TO INFORMATION OF
THE (FRG) DEFENSE MINISTRY, IT IS PLANNED TO TURN OVER
TO SPAIN FROM BUNDESWEHR STOCKS APPROXIMATELY NINETY TO
ONE HUNDRED TEN M-48 A-2 TANKS WHICH ARE TO BE DROPPED
FROM THE INVENTORY. IT IS REQUESTED THAT AN EARLY
DECISION BE PROVIDED US WHETHER THE USA IS INTERESTED
ON A REPURCHASE OF THE TANKS OR IS PREPARED TO GIVE A
RELEASE SO THAT THE TANKS MAY BE SOLD TO SPAIN.
(COMPLIMENTARY CLOSE). UNQUOTE

2. GUIDANCE REQUESTED.
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